Automated Commercial Environment—Requirements Recommendation

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Requirement

A paperless and border-wide BRASS system is required

Business Need

Currently the BRASS system is port specific. The need exists to have BRASS approvals valid at all ports (Northern or Southern border) if approved for use at one port. Northern and Southern border approvals would be separate and distinct. Occasionally, due to operational requirements, cargo movements may arrive at a port other than initially intended. If the initial port has approved the shipment as a BRASS application and assigned a C4 (Line Release) code, while the actual port of arrival has not, then Border Cargo Selectivity (BCS) must be performed obviating the value of the BRASS process. Broker processing can be performed at the port of arrival.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Incorporate functionality for BRASS into a single release system
- 2. EXPRESS Consignment needs electronic consolidated CF7501

Technical Need

Benefits

Extends the benefits of BRASS to all ports when one port has approved the application. Eliminates re-work when a different port is utilized due to operational requirements.

Risks

Related Subcommittees